

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 are now pending in the application. Minor amendments have been made to the claims to simply overcome the rejections of the claims under 35 U.S.C. § 112. The amendments to the claims contained herein are intended to broaden the scope thereof or are of equivalent scope as originally filed and, thus, are not a narrowing amendment. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the rejections in view of the amendments and remarks contained herein.

The Applicant would like to thank the Examiner for the interview of June 4, 2003. The Applicant received the interview summary sent June 5, 2003 and believes that it thoroughly discusses each of the items discussed with the Examiner during the interview. No art was discussed and only claims 18-20 were discussed. The substance of the interview related to § 112, paragraph 2 rejections, noted by the Examiner but not detailed in the Office Action of May 16, 2003.

SPECIFICATION

The specification stands objected to for certain informalities. Applicants have amended the specification to overcome the objections thereto. The reference numeral 35' has been added to the specification to overcome the Examiner's objection to the drawings. Also amendments to the Abstract have been made according to the Examiner's suggestions. Therefore, reconsideration and withdrawal of this objection are respectfully requested.

REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 112

Claims 6-9 and 13-20 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Minor non-narrowing amendments have been made to claims 1, 6-7, 14-20 to overcome these rejections. Therefore, the Applicant requests that the Examiner withdraw these rejections and allow each of these claims.

With regard to claim 8, "said signal" has proper antecedent basis in claim 7 which recites "a signal", from which claim 8 depends. Therefore, the Applicant requests that the Examiner also withdraw this rejection and allow this claim.

ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER

The Examiner states that claim 1-5 and 10-12 are allowed. The Examiner further states that claims 13 and 18 would be allowed if amended to overcome the §112, second paragraph rejections. Claims 13 and 18 have been amended to overcome the noted rejections. Also claims 6-9, 14-17, and 19-20 have been amended to overcome the noted §112, second paragraph rejections. Therefore, the Applicant submits that each of the claims are now in condition for allowance as each claim is in condition for allowance or depends from an allowable claim.

CONCLUSION

It is believed that all of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicant therefore respectfully

requests that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all presently outstanding rejections. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action, and as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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